

Sermon: Love One Another.
Series: *One Another.*

Scripture: 1 John 4:7-12.
Date: July 3, 2022

OBSERVATION -- As a group, talk through and summarize the passage. Think through *Who, What, Where, When, How, Why* questions together.

INTERPRETATION -- Answer these questions together:

1. What does this passage teach us about us?

- a) Can you recall a time when you felt fully loved?
- b) In what ways are you experiencing God's love on a regular basis?

2. What does this passage teach us about God?

- a) Why can't we define love on our own apart from God? Think about the truth that God is love.
- b) God didn't create us because he needed our love. He created us to share his love. How does this help you to understand God better or relate to him differently?

3. What does this passage teach us about grace/salvation? How does it point to Christ?

- a) Why is the sending of Christ the greatest demonstration of love?
- b) What does the incarnation and death of Jesus teach us about the nature of love?

APPLICATION

- a) God's love abides in us. What is one way you can make God's love visible this week?
- b) Is there a person or situation where you need to love from faith rather than feelings? How might you step out in faith and love someone even though you don't feel the love of God?

FIGHTER VERSES: 1 John 4:7-12.

PRAYER

- Praise God for his loving nature and loving deeds.
- Confess ways that you have failed to love others.
- Thank Jesus for his sacrificial love for you in his life and in his death.
- Ask God to help you love others from faith if not also from feeling.